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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
SAN JOSE DIVISION**

VIOLETTA ETTARE,	)	Case No. C-07-04429-JW (PVT)
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	<b>DECLARATION OF KENNETH</b>
	)	<b>MEISTER IN SUPPORT OF</b>
vs.	)	<b>DEFENDANTS' JOINT OPPOSITION</b>
	)	<b>TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO</b>
JOSEPH E. BARATTA, an individual,	)	<b>REMAND AND MOTION FOR LEAVE</b>
TBIG FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., form	)	<b>TO AMEND REMOVAL NOTICE</b>
of business unknown, WACHOVIA	)	
SECURITIES, LLC, a Delaware Limited	)	Date: Monday, December 3, 2007
Liability Company, MARK WIELAND, an	)	Time: 9:00 a.m.
individual, and DOES 1-25,	)	Place: Courtroom 8, 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor
	)	
Defendants.	)	

I, KENNETH MEISTER, declare as follows:

1. I am Senior Vice President, Deputy General Counsel, of PRUDENTIAL EQUITY GROUP, LLC. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth below and, if called upon to testify as a witness, could testify competently thereto.

2. Since before July 13, 2007 and through the present, Prudential Securities Group Inc. (“PSG”) has had a 38% ownership interest in Wachovia Securities Financial Holdings, LLC (“WSFH”).

3. I am informed and believe that Wachovia Securities Holdings, LLC ("WSH") owns the remaining 62% interest in WSFH.

4. Since before July 13, 2007 and through the present, PSG has been incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware and has had its principal place of business in New York.

Executed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2007 at New York,  
New York.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Kenneth Meister  
KENNETH MEISTER